

College and Career Ready Assessment (CCRA)

What Is CCRA?

House Bill 278, Alaska's Education Opportunity Act, was signed into law and became effective on July 1, 2014. The law requires all grade 11 students in Alaska to take a college or career readiness assessment; these assessments are defined as WorkKeys, ACT, and SAT. Students have the option to take either the career-readiness assessment (WorkKeys) or a college-readiness assessment (ACT or SAT).

The State of Alaska will pay for one administration of one assessment per student starting in grade 11. Public high school students may take the assessment during the scheduled school day administration or the designated Saturday National Test day administration. Regulations can be found at

<http://education.alaska.gov/tls/assessment/ccra/CCRAhandoutOCT2014.pdf>.

Which Students Are Required to Take This Assessment

All grade 11 students are required to take a CCRA; students who miss the opportunity in grade 11 may take an assessment in grade 12. Please note: all grade 11 students in the 2013-14 school year were required to take the WorkKeys assessment. These students have met the new requirement for earning an Alaska high school diploma and do not need to take an additional CCRA. Current grade 12 students who did not take the WorkKeys assessment will need to take their choice of a CCRA to be eligible for a diploma.

Assessment Administration Dates for 2014-2015

August 2014	September	October
Students choose assessment; Schools register students		
November	December	January 2015
November 10 – February 13 Online WorkKeys Window		
		Jan. 24 SAT National Test Saturday
February	March	April
Feb. 7 ACT National Test Saturday	March 3 ACT In-School	Apr. 1 WorkKeys make-up
	March 4 WorkKeys P/P	Apr. 29 SAT make-up
Feb.13 Online WorkKeys Window closes	Mar. 31 ACT make-up	
Feb. 25 SAT School Day		

CCRA Milestones through January

SAT Test Center Master Form to confirm school-day testing	Emailed to schools Nov. 10--due Dec. 1
SAT National Day Registration Forms due	Postmarked to College Board by Nov. 17
SAT Online Welcome Kit access codes to schools	Week of Nov. 10
SAT School Day Registration begins	Dec. 10-Feb. 11
ACT contacts schools for final numbers	Week of Jan. 6
Test Center Supervisor Training	Jan. 8
Deadline to submit offsite proposals to ACT	Jan. 9
ACT In-School Q&A	Jan. 13, 4:00 p.m.

CCRA Accommodations

SAT

Accommodations for students with disabilities will be granted and administered according to the College Board. Application procedures can be found at <https://www.collegeboard.org/students-with-disabilities/eligibility>. Accommodation application due date for 2014-2015 year is **January 7, 2015**.

ACT In-School

Accommodations for student with disabilities will be granted and administered according to the ACT. Application procedures can be found at http://www.act.org/aap/pdf/AccomsRequest_Header_Procedures_EM_MM_2015.pdf. Accommodation application due date for 2014-2015 year is **November 21, 2014**.

ACT WorkKeys

Prior approval is not required for accommodations on the WorkKeys Assessment. Accommodation information can be found at http://education.alaska.gov/TLS/Assessment/accommodations/CCRA/WKSupplement_June2014.pdf and http://www.act.org/aap/pdf/SADManual_Special14-15.pdf.

Support Available

WorkKeys Internet support provided at 800.967.5539 M-F 4:00am-4:00pm Alaska Time and Saturday 5:00am-10:00am Alaska time.

ACT/WorkKeys Paper/Pencil support provided at 800.553.6244 ext.2800 M-F 4:00am-2:00pm Alaska time

SAT Supervisor Hotline support provided at 800.257.5123 select option 2 or email tas@ets.org 4:30am to 1:00pm Alaska time. On Test Day February 25. Hotline hours begin 3:00am to 4:30pm Alaska time.